

Liechtenstein Is Featured

New Australian Due October 31

A rather poor portrait of the convalescing King George VI of England graces the new 7½d blue regular postage stamp which Australia will release on October 31. The value was brought on by



postal rate increases.

It will come 160 stamps to the sheet on watermarked paper with 15 x 14 perforations.

Collectors will find it possible to buy it and other current Australian postage stamps at face from the Office of the Australian Government Trade Commissioner, Suite 426, 630 Fifth Ave., New York 20, N. Y.

Upon the appearance of the new stamp the current 5d picturing a Merino Sheep will be withdrawn from sale.

Philippines Issue Three For UN Day

If the stamps arrive on time from the printer in the United States, the Philippines will issue a set of three commemoratives to mark United Nations Day October 24. If not, then as soon as they are received afterwards.

The design depicts the official UN seal and a Filipina with sampaguita garlands around her neck, standing behind and holding the Philippine flag.

Denominations, colors and quantities are 5c red (10,000,000); 6c green (2,000,000); 18c blue (1,000,000).

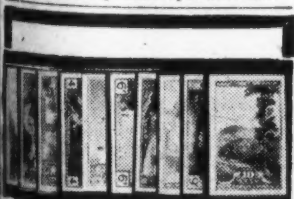
The stamps will be for sale at face value at the Philatelic Division, Bureau of Posts, Manila, Philippines. Current rate of exchange is 1 Peso (100 centavos) equals 50c U. S. Orders for the stamps must contain an allowance for return of the order. Mint stamps will not be accepted in payment.

Ryukyu Islands Issue Airmails

Three airmail stamps were released by the Ryukyu Islands Postal Administration on October 1 all with the same design. Pictured is a goddess in flight above a representation of the Islands distributing happiness.

Denominations, colors and quantities printed are 13 yen blue (500,000); 18y green (200,000); 30y crimson (500,000).

According to Robert Bellinger, Bay City, Mich. who submitted information about the issue, the goddess in flight was chosen in preference to a modern airplane to stay within the oriental traditions of beauty and symbolism.



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AN HISTORIC DOCUMENT ABOUT STAMPS is pointed out by Jacques Minkus, manager of Gimbels stamp department, to Bertil Renborg, chief of the postal administration of the United Nations, when UN officials visited Gimbels, October 10, to see the preview exhibit of the first United Nations stamps. Others in the UN party are: Jan Jutta of the Public Information department and Miss Tracie of the Postal Administration. The document, a postal agreement between the U. S. and the U.N., relates to the handling of the new stamps. The exhibit, prepared in cooperation with U.N. postal authorities, was on display at Gimbels until October 20.

Holland's Winter Charities Will Picture Children; To Have First Day November 12

Children will once again be featured in the "Winter" semi-postals of the Netherlands. As in previous years, the funds derived from the surtax of this series is devoted to child welfare work.

In reporting last year's sale, the Netherlands Postal Administration stated that a total sum of approximately \$121,000 was realized.

The first day of issue is to be November 12 with their validity for postage fees expiring on December 31, 1952. Sales will continue until December 31, 1951 after which remainders will be destroyed



Denominations, colors and designs are: 2c plus 3c green, girl in landscape with windmill; 5c plus 3c gray, a boy against a background of houses under construction; 6c plus 4c sepia, fisher boy against a background of nets, ship's mast and building; 10c plus 5c red brown, a workman's child against a background of chimneys and steel construction; 20c plus 7c blue, girl and modern apartment houses.

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economic reconstruction, the 5c, 10c and 20c respectively, while the remaining two, 2c and 6c picture typical Dutch back-grounds.

All were reproduced from photographs made by Cas Oorthuys. M. Kemper added the lettering, Johann Enschede and Sons being responsible for the printing by rotogravure.

Sheets will contain 100 stamps, 10 x 10, and be comb perforated 12½ x 14.



On or about November 12 the Netherlands will also release two rather "high powered" airmails having denominations of 15 guilders (\$4.05) and 25G (\$6.75).

The same design will be common to each it having been originated by J. Bons of Amsterdam. It pictures a seagull flying over a landscape in which can be seen a bridge, canal, dunes and the sea.

The Enschede firm will do the printing from copper plates, with each sheet containing 25 subjects, 5 x 5.

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Tiny State's Stamps Highly Regarded; Beautifully Made Issues Have Universal Appeal

By Jack Beken

Liechtenstein's postal history can be broadly divided into three main periods, not counting the postal history aspect which for many European countries can almost be traced to the days of the Roman Empire. With the introduction of stamps into Austria, in 1850, post offices were opened also in the Principality of Liechtenstein, particular emphasis being placed, from their inception, on the fact that the independence of the state would in no way be influenced thereby. Thus the normal stamps of Austria were used in the Liechtenstein offices from 1850 until 1912.

It was the latter year that, after protracted negotiations with the Imperial and Royal Government in Vienna, permission for the issue of separate stamps—in the three most necessary denominations—was finally granted. These were the 5, 10 and 25 Heller values, serving for inland and foreign letters and inland post-cards.

Various changes of rates, conditioned mostly by the war and subsequent devaluation of the Austrian currency, necessitated the printing of different and additional values, as well as causing changes of paper, which have their parallel in the contemporary Austrian stamps. Again war conditions were to blame.

RUINOUS EFFECTS

After the cessation of hostilities, the enforcement of the Treaty of Versailles had ruinous effects on the economy of Austria, reduced to a rump of its former Empire. A vast capital and a tremendously swollen civil service were now unnecessary and indeed almost insupportable. The condition of the country suffered grievously, a severe famine, as well as damaging inflation with subsequent devaluation of currency, very nearly wrecked the viability of Central Europe.

It was against a background of such conditions that Liechtenstein decided that its economy (hitherto so closely linked to the fortunes of Vienna) should not in future be allied to a defeated country. To the East of the tiny Principality lay Austria, to its West, Switzerland. The choice was obvious, a treaty of trade and customs came into force in 1921, and the country's economy was put on a Franc basis—a step which Liechtenstein has had no occasion to regret.

The stamp issuing policy should be regarded against the background of these facts. An independence from the dictates of the Vienna civil servants meant also that the postal system would be divorced from the supervision of the Austrian Ministry of Communications.

Liechtenstein itself had no class of civil servants trained to supervise the running of a post office and its attendant philatelic service—this side had always been administered from Vienna.

THE SYNDICATE "HELPED"

However, it was not long before the government was "helped" out of its difficulty. A body of interested members of the public, including the artist Luigi Kasimir, approached the Vaduz authorities, with an offer to supply (Continued on page 15)

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Cacheted first day covers will be made available through the Cuban National Council of Tuberculosis. Each cover will sell for 10c which includes the cacheted envelope, the tax stamp, postage stamp and addressing.

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September Plates All For 4c Prexy

For the first time in a number of months there were no new postage stamp plates sent to the presses for the printing of postage stamps during the month of September.

But there was an indication from the Post Office Department's report of plate activity at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing that full preparations are being made to meet the proposed first class rate of 4c.

All numbers assigned to plates during the month of September were of the 4c denomination.

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Well Designed Issues Give Liechtenstein's History

by E. Hilbe

Liechtenstein, a popular country for many of the world's philatelists, issued in 1941, 1942 and 1943 a series of twelve stamps depicting its Princes. Consequently, a brief history of Liechtenstein and its ruling house will not be out of place in connection with these issues.

The Principality has a long and eventful history to call its own. According to the research and excavations conducted by the Liechtenstein Historical Society, the country was settled already in the early stone age period. Later, it became part of the alpine state of Raetia which was conquered by the Romans in 15 B. C., and incorporated with the parts of Raetia north of Lake Constance into the province of Churraetia.

Christianity was proclaimed by St. Lucius at a very early period of the Principality's history, and it forms to this day part of the diocese of Chur, of which St. Lucius is patron saint. His portrait adorns the 10 Fr. stamp, issued on March 10, 1946.

In the early middle ages, the Alemans drove out the Romans and, in 536 Churraetia was ceded to the Frankish kings, later becoming part of Charlemagne's empire as part of the Duchy of Swabia and Raetia. Under Charlemagne's successors, the earldoms and duchies increased in power and prestige, and in the present territory of the Principality were formed the Earldom of Vaduz and the Manor of Schellenberg.

The Squires of Schellenberg, as well as the Montfort earls ruled from 1200 to 1416, but the brothers Hartmann III and Rudolf IV of Montfort divided their possessions in 1342. A reminder of this division is the series issued on April 22, 1942.

Earl Hartmann IV, Bishop of Chur, was obliged to sell the two manors to the Squires of Grandis (1416-1507) in payment of heavy debts, but with the extinction of the line of Brandis, the possessions passed by inheritance to the Earls of Sulz (1507-1613). In the latter year, both Manors were bought by the Dukes of Hohenems, but without any apparent change in their fortune, as the property was still very heavily in debt when the Manor of Schellenberg was sold to Johann Adam Andreas, Prince of Liechtenstein, by Earl Jakob Hannibal III of Horenems on January 18, 1699.

The price was 115,000 Guilders. Thirteen years later, on February 22, 1712, the Earl was obliged to sell also the Earldom of Vaduz to the Prince for 290,000 Guilders. Thus the inhabitants of the district became subjects of the Prince of Liechtenstein.

Prince Johann Adam Andreas, born 1622, was the scion of an honorable Austrian line of noblemen whose ancestral home was the castle of Liechtenstein near Moeding in Lower Austria. His intention in acquiring the manors of Vaduz and Schellenberg was to obtain a seat and vote in the League of Princes of the Swabian District, and to gain admission to the Imperial Collegium of Princes of Germany.

The Prince acquired other properties besides Vaduz and Schellenberg, but they are outside the scope of this article. He built a number of castles and furnished them with works of art; philanthropy was one of his principal characteristics.

He died at the early age of 50, in 1712—the same year in which he acquired Vaduz, and his portrait is shown on the 20Rp. "Princes" stamp of 1941 and on a handsomely engraved stamp issue in 1949, part of a series marking Schellenberg's 250th Anniversary. Prince Joseph Wenzel (30Rp blue, 1941 "Princes" series) inherited the two manors from his uncle, Johann Adam Andreas, and they passed to Prince Anton Florian in 1718 in exchange against the Bohemian Manor of Rumburg.

Anton Florian is usually known as Liechtenstein's second prince, and he was the first to receive the homage of the populace at the Castle of Vaduz in 1718. The Emperor Charles VI united the two Manors of Vaduz and Schellenberg on January 23, 1719, and gave the new state its present title of "Principality of Liechtenstein."

The Prince was born in 1656 and died in Vienna in 1721. The grey 1Fr. stamp of the First Princes Series of 1941 shows his portrait.

His only son, Prince Joseph (1941 "Princes" series, 150Fr.) succeeded Anton Florian. This Prince served in various European campaigns under the Imperial General Starhemberg, distinguishing himself particularly against the French in the campaigns in the Netherlands. He died in 1732 and on his death, the

government passed to his eldest son, Prince Johann Karl. (20Rp. 1942 series), who was succeeded on his death in 1748 by Prince Joseph Wenzel.

This Prince is portrayed on the 1941 series of stamps (30Rp.). He was a distinguished soldier, serving under the famous marshal Prince Eugen. He was highly regarded by the Imperial Court, and became supreme commander of the Artillery in Austria, dying in 1772.

The rule of Liechtenstein then passed to his nephew, Prince Franz Joseph I (1942 "Princes" Series, 30Rp.), born in Milan in 1726, who died, after a distinguished career, in Metz in 1781. He took part in the Italian Campaigns of 1745, being nominated Secret Imperial Councillor in 1767.

Alois I, his son, was also his successor. (1Fr., 1942 series). Under his rule, Liechtenstein went through a difficult period of its history. The French crossed the Rhine, under General Massena, in 1799, whilst the Russians, under General Suvarov also traversed the small state. Suvarov's campaign is marked by a Soviet-Russian series issued in 1950, a portrait of the aristocratic general being incorporated in the 1 and 2Rbl. values. He died, by the way, a year later.

His brother, Johann I, succeeded Alois. (150Fr., 1942 series). He had fought against the Turks in 1788, against the French in 1793, and had been victorious on the Austrians' side at the battle of Trebbia in the plain of the river Po (Italy). He commanded the cavalry at the battles of Austerlitz and Aspern, dying in 1836 after a military career covered with blood and glory.

Conditions of that time are amply demonstrated by the fact that his son and successor Alois II, (20Rp. 1943 "Princes" series) was the first prince to visit his titular estates in Liechtenstein. It was he who negotiated the Customs Agreement with Austria in 1852, and he died on November 12, 1858.

Builder of the modern Liechtenstein of today was Alois' eldest son, Prince Johann II, who ruled the land for over 70 years, acceding on the day of his father's death.

Under the benevolent rule of "Johann the Good", Liechtenstein prospered as never before, and his popularity with his subjects is well brought out by numerous stamp issues in his honor and memory. Every stamp catalogue will mention the following sets, all portraying this great prince:—

1912. His portrait was on the country's first stamps.

1918. A 20 Heller stamp marked the 60th anniversary of his reign.

1920. The famous "Madonna" series was issued to mark his 80th birthday.

1925 & 1927. Two charity series were issued on the occasion of his 85th and 87th birthdays.

1928. Saw a set marking his 70th Year of Reign.

1940. Witnessed a series to commemorate the centenary of his birth.

The Prince's portrait appears also, in its chronological order, on the 30Rp. stamp of the 1943 "Princes" set, as well as on the 7 1/2Kr. 1920 definitives, and the 35Rp. 1921 "Franc Currency" series. He died, mourned by every Liechtensteiner, in his 89th year, on February 11, 1929.

Prince Franz I, Johann's brother, was the next in succession, after a distinguished diplomatic career as Austrian Ambassador to the Russian court at St. Petersburg.

He married in 1929 the widowed Princess Elsa (nee Gutmann), erstwhile wife of Eros von Bethlenfalva. Her death was marked by the re-issue of a stamp (in changed colors) in 1947, which had first been issued as the 2Fr. value of the 1934 definitives. The pair spent a good deal of time in the country, and were re-

nowned for their philanthropic activities. A "Homage" series marking their accession was issued in 1929, the Prince's 80th birthday was commemorated by a series of stamps in 1933, and he appears also on the 2Fr. definitive of 1930, and the 3Fr. definitive of 1934.

He died on July 25, 1938, and a mourning stamp (the 1934 definitive in changed colors) was issued in his memory.

With the extinction of the line of Alois II, the father of the present prince, Prince Alois, should have been the successor to the title. However, he had, together with his eldest brother Prince Franz, renounced all claim to the succession in 1923.

Twelfth in the line of ruling princes is the present holder of the title, His Serene Highness Prince Franz Joseph II, who became Prince Regent on March 30, 1938, and succeeded the old Prince on July 26, 1938. His accession was proclaimed on May 29, 1939 in the Castle of Vaduz, and he married on March 7, 1943, the Countess Georgina von Wilczek.

Both occasions were suitably commemorated by sets of postage stamps, which will be recalled by collectors. The Prince's portrait appears in chronological order as the last in the series of "Princes" stamps, (150Fr. value of 1943), as well as on the 5Fr. (Continued on page 15)

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339	1.35	401-14	2.75	B33	7.45	B102-03	.45	C20-26	7.65	C67-68	1.10
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Liechtenstein Pigeon Post

by Jack Beken

The use of pigeons for carrying messages is nothing new and many readers will no doubt recall the use to which our feathered friends were put by the well known film actor—Edward G. Robinson in his film "This Man Reuter."

An interesting addition to a Liechtenstein airmail collection can be made by the inclusion of a pigeongram flown in Liechtenstein in 1937 for it was on May 31 of that year that such a flight took place from the Meteorological Station situated on Mt. Saentis approximately 7,600 feet above sea-level.

Some 100 birds of the Columbia Club, St. Gallen, participated in this flight and each pigeon carried one or two messages, depending upon the strength of the creature. Special window-type envelopes were employed and upon removing the actual message form, a printed note reading:—

"Haltet und schuetzet die Brief-tauben denn sie dienen dem Vaterland." (Support and protect the carrier pigeons as they serve the Fatherland).

I have a specimen of this interesting item in my collection and the message form is franked on both sides. One side bears a 10 Rp. Liechtenstein air stamp of the 1934 series postmarked VADUZ 28.V.37.14 by the usual circular obliterator and addressed to: Pigeon Post Dept. E. Gass, Saentis-Kulm.

The opposite side of the form is franked with a 10 Rp. Swiss Pro-Juventute 1936 series, postmarked ST. GALLEN 31.V.37.19 by a circular obliterator, and addressed to: Mr. Kosel, St. Jakobstr, St. Gallen.

In addition to these departure and arrival cancellations, three cachets appear on both the window-envelope and actual message form, the latter being very thin air-mail type paper measuring 116 x 101 mm. The cachets applied being as under:—

- (1) Circular double ring cachet of the Columbia Club, St. Gallen, consisting of the words COLUMBIA/ST. GALLEN with an illustration between the words of a pigeon in flight. The cachet is in black.
- (2) Circular cachet reading "SAENTISGIPFEL/2504 m. ueber Meer/SAENTISCHWEB-AHN." Cachet in violet.
- (3) Rectangular cachet of the Saentis Mountain Hotel reading "BERGHOTEL SAENTIS/Familie Dorig/2504 m.u./Meer." Cachet applied in violet.

In all, about 200 pieces of mail were posted in advance at Vaduz. According to the local press, the pigeons arrived at 10.25 a. m. on May 31 by the Saentis Suspension Railway and were taken to the Observatory.

The first mail flight took place at 10.30 a. m. in the direction of St. Gallen and all messages had been sent off by 12 noon. The weather was very fine and visibility good and the majority of the birds carried the messages to St. Gallen in 15 to 20 minutes which can be considered as a very good performance.

Death Calls Charter Member Chicago Club

The Chicago Woman's Stamp Club lost one of its most valued and beloved members with the passing of Mrs. Bess Evans, on September 22. Mrs. Evans was a charter member and past president of the Chicago Woman's Stamp Club, having joined 21 years ago.

She was a resident of Chicago for many years, but several years ago moved to Hawthorne, California, where she has since made her home. She is survived by her husband, Harry, one son, one daughter, two grandchildren, and one great grandchild.

"Day Of Stamp" Set Has Boy Collectors

Stamps of identical design and semipostal in nature have been announced by the West German postal administration for the annual "Day of the Stamp". According to Dr. F. W. Gerhard Schmidt of Berlin the design pictures two youthful stamp collectors, one studying an album with stamps, the other studying a globe of the world. A 10 plus 3pf green and a 20 plus 2pf red make up the issue. No first day was announced.

SFTW Gets \$100 For Cartoon By Breger

Stamps for the Wounded were beneficiary of a substantial cash donation, to be used for stationery, postage, expressage and other incidental costs, through the cooperation of American Airlines, Dave Breger and Irwin Heiman. The contribution was made during the American Air Mail Society's dinner at Capex, when an original cachet drawing called, "Salute to Good Neighbors," by cartoonist Breger was auctioned and bought for \$100 by Mr. Heiman.

Ernest Kehr, national chairman of SFTW, announced at the same time that the American Stamp Dealers' Association had contributed free booth space at its forthcoming National Stamp Show in New York, where volunteer philatelic work in 108 V. A. hospitals will be explained and where visitors will be invited to "purchase a packet of stamps from a dealer at the show" and place it in a donation container for hospitalized servicemen. The booth will be manned by the Associated Business Stamp Clubs' SFTW committee.

It also was announced that Marjorie V. Wamsley, active in SFTW work since its inception on a national scale in 1944, has been appointed Regional Director for the Philadelphia Area of SFTW, replacing James Stockton, whose resignation was accepted after four years of work.

The Granite City Stamp Club, Quincy, Mass., has been named local unit of SFTW to serve hospitalized servicemen at Cushing General Hospital, Framingham, Mass.

Two Comemms Mark Macedonian Brawl

Stamps honoring the tenth anniversary of the uprising in Macedonia were issued by Yugoslavia on October 11.

Two in number, they are a 3d dark red with a portrait of Mirce Acev, national hero of Macedonia, and a 5d violet picturing the monument of the war victims at Skopje.

Of the former there were 500,000 copies printed and 300,000 of the latter.

Also issued was a 50d turquoise addition in the regular series known as the National Economy set.

To mark the Festival of Italian Culture which took place from October 21 to 28 in the Yugoslav Zone of Trieste three comemms were produced. The first day was on the former date.

With identical designs picturing P. P. Vergeria, Jr. the denominations are 5, 10 and 20d. There will be but 35,000 complete sets issued.

To Auction Early United States Items

"Seventy Years of American Philately, 1870-1940" is the title applied to a catalog covering a three-day auction of United States to be sold by H. R. Harmer, Inc., on November 19, 20, 21.

Offered by order of a west coast collector who is specializing in the pre-1870 issues, the collection contains many rare and interesting items and is cataloged at approximately \$100,000.

The catalog can be obtained from the auctioneers at 32 East 57th Street, New York 22, N. Y. against 10c for handling charges.

NPM Hosts Postal History Session

Major Adrian E. Hopkins, Honorary Secretary of The Postal History Society of Great Britain, who headed the delegation of philatelists from Great Britain on their visit to Toronto, Buffalo, Boston, Philadelphia and New York, praised the Postal History exhibit prepared by Philadelphia's National Philatelic Museum.

The Museum was able to show a most comprehensive collection of covers delving in the Postal History of Thurn and Taxis. The noble house of Thurn and Taxis was a remarkable family of postmen, who served the crowned heads of all Europe, and did much to develop communication through and between countries.

The Museum wonders whether anyone can produce some of the preadhesives of the "Petite Poste" Paris. In the Spring of 1655, M. Coutel—musician—chose to give a concert. However, the invitations which had to be delivered by the new city postal system, did not arrive. He placed them in a collection box at the corner.

In his attempt to discover what happened to the invitations and why they were not delivered on time his difficulties with the new "Petite Poste" were responsible for the establishment of the new city delivery service in Paris and all the provinces of France.

The country was divided into postal districts and the mail was carried by "couriers" who went on foot or horseback, by land or water, as best they could. Paris could also communicate with England and other countries abroad, but had no means of post-

al service within the city. Letters sent within Paris were carried by servants or by casual messengers.

The schedule of the meetings of the Convention have already been published. It was preceded by the formation of an Organizing Committee of The Postal History Society of the Americas in Toronto. Charles F. Meroni was elected chairman and Harry A. Dunsmoor was elected secretary pro tem.

The next meeting of the Society will be held in Chicago during the convention of The American Philatelic Congress and will be called by the chairman, Charles F. Meroni. Arrangements are being made to hold another meeting of the newly formed society in New York City during the A.S.D.A. Show in November. The meetings in Philadelphia ratified the action taken in Toronto and all present showed great interest and enthusiasm.

The Postal History Exhibition will continue in the Museum until November 10, 1951.

Merchantville Club To Install Officers

Members of the Merchantville, N. J. Stamp Club are going to install their newly elected officers at the club's annual banquet. This is to be staged at the Holly House at Route 25 and Browning Post Rd. in Pennsauken.

Now in office are president Norman E. Sheppard; vice president C. G. A. Papa; treasurer W. R. Mulloney and secretary Harvey B. Green.

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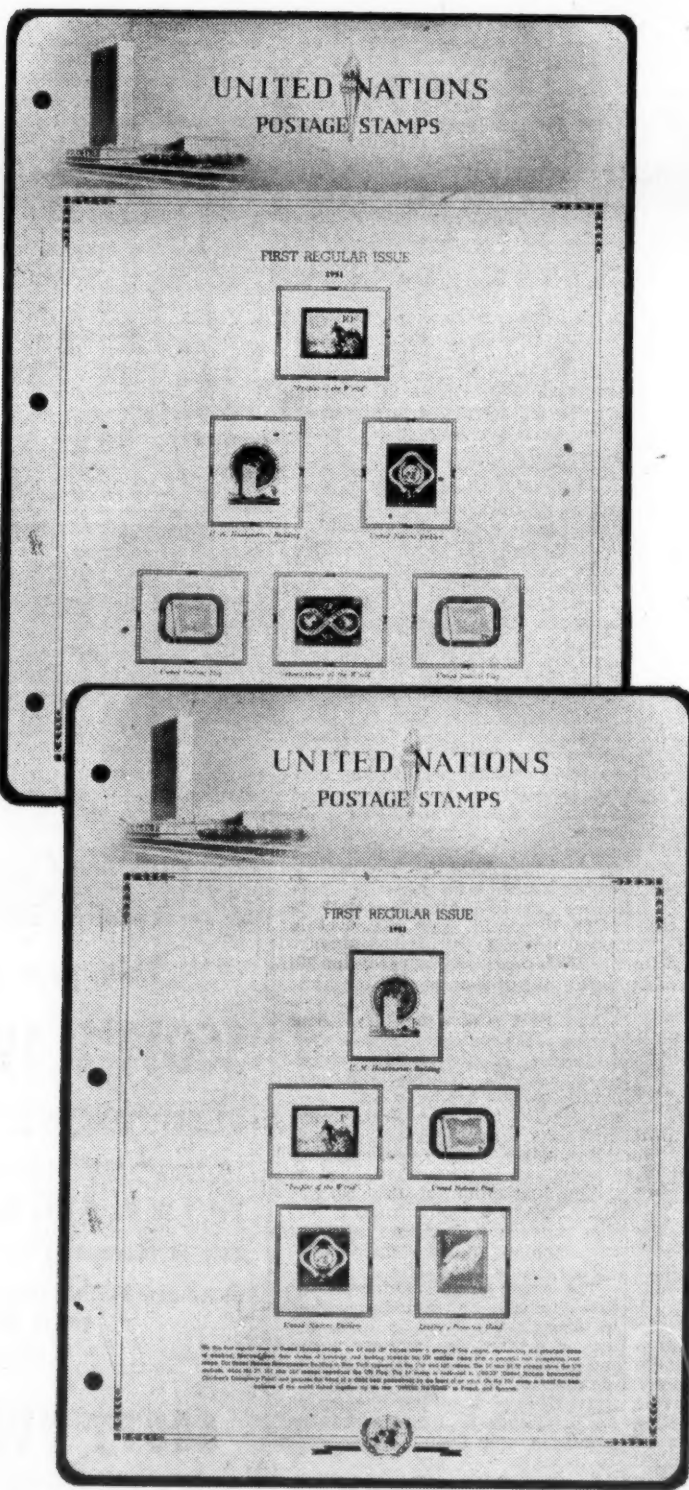
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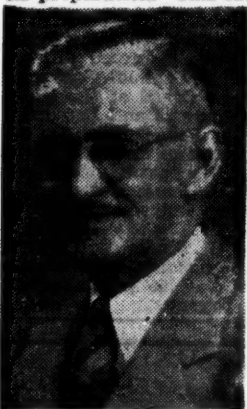
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It Makes One Feel Old

Yesterday a copy of the new Membership List of the Garfield-Perry Stamp Club of Cleveland, Ohio came to our office. The neatness of this list showed that much work and care had been given to its preparation. This caused me to look the list over carefully and in doing this I noted that the names listed were in groups, such as Active Life Members, Honorary Members, Active Members, Associate Members etc. The list contained quite an extensive array of names and on close examination it turns out to be a very good representation of the leading and more active collectors from all over the United States.



GEORGE W. LINN

cisco as third in sound and properly conducted stamp clubs.

New York City, to the best of my knowledge has no club that will compare with these clubs in active local interest. The Collectors Club of New York is in a class by itself and is not considered as being a club of the class of which I am writing.

The Garfield-Perry was organized about 1890. To most of you who read this, the club is older than you are thus a venerable one. My own interest in stamp collecting began just a few years after this club was organized thus I can look back with recollections of the stamp collecting hobby in the ways of the birth of Garfield-Perry and to me it seems a long time ago.

It is a credit to the past members and officers of the club that it has grown so long, so strong and so steadily since those days. There has been a sort of tradition in the club, a tradition that the new members as they become associated must be introduced to the activities of the club and must shoulder the burdens. In the years since I first became a member of this club back in 1914, I have seen many big names in Cleveland philatelic circles rise and fall as members of Garfield-Perry. Such names as Worthington, Hammond, Rust, Barnum, Good, MacLaren and many others whose names I do not recall at this time.

In all the list there are only two members today whose numbers are older than mine. Dr. Henry A. Tubman (36) now residing in Syracuse, N. Y. and Lewis A. Hanford (167) the perennial little fellow from Cleveland, Ohio who is always the life of any party. My own number (253) is next on the list and there are few others, less than thirty, whose membership dates before 1930.

Yes, it makes one begin to feel old when a membership list such as this is looked over carefully. Many are the annual meetings of the club that I have attended in past years and I hope to see many more of them in the future, for after all, age is just what you make it, you get old only when you cease to be active and crawl into retirement. Keep up your interest in your stamps, keep up your interest in your friends and you will find stamp collecting one of the best tonics to keep you among friends and keep you active and help you keep young.

Let's Preserve Our Stamps

Many times in past years I have used space to urge the removal of original gum from our stamps. The object of this is solely to protect and preserve the stamps we now own. Forty or fifty years ago this was not so urgent as it is today. Stamps of the old days were printed on a fine quality rag paper. The reason for that was that they did not know how to make cheap trashy paper in those days. As a result valued old documents of 100 years ago are still preserved and safe. Valuable documents of today are prepared on fine quality rag paper too that they may be preserved for the future but our postage stamps have sunk to the lowest level and while our stamps of 1847, 1851 and some of later years will be with us for years to come, most modern stamps as issued in this country will fall apart and decay long before the old classics disintegrate.

While the gum on many old stamps is definitely eating through the stamps, most old material will be preserved because most of it is of used copies from which the gum has been removed, thus those used copies will live many more years. The trend today however is for mint, O. G. stamps. The gum of today is of better quality, yet is a great source of damage to our stamps. It keeps you from neatly mounting them for the cry for full O. G. forbids hinging them and collectors can no longer enjoy the freedom of handling their stamps as one should like to do. Gum will destroy and is destroying many stamps of the past 50 to 60 years. We should take steps at once to outlaw original gum.

The campaign is taking root abroad as is evidenced by the following clipping from the South African Philatelist for September 1951. The American Philatelic Society could do the greatest thing it has ever done for its membership if it would sponsor a movement to remove gum from our stamps.

"The campaign against gum seems to be gathering strength. Mr. A. J. Knight in the West End Philatelist asks if any protagonist of gum has experience of the effect of humid heat on gum. He gives his experience: 'Mint' North Borneo stamps acquired in the colony, with not a vestige of gum remaining on them; stamps bought in Seychelles, almost always have to have gum or paste applied before they will stick on a cover; similarly in New Guinea. To be sure of getting British tropical colonials with full gum they must be obtained from the Crown agents; in other words, such stamps have never seen the colonies they represent. Those persons stipulating full gum would appear to be concerned with the commercial aspect.

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Postal History Starts In 1817

The extension of the Austrian postal system to Liechtenstein was not devoid of diplomatic incident. Before the establishment of the Post Office at Balzers in 1817, every safeguard was taken to insure that the concession granted to the Imperial and Royal Posts should not be construed in any way as an infringement of, or encroachment on the sovereignty of the tiny state. This insistence on the full recognition of the Prince's sovereign rights is an outstanding feature of all the postal treaties between the two countries. Indeed, it was the emphasis of national sovereignty which was the ultimate reason for the issue, in 1912, of the Principality's own stamps.

Diplomatic negotiations concluded, on August 16, 1817, the Postal Administration for the Crown Lands of the Tyrol and Vorarlberg announced the closure of the Austrian Post Office in Chur (in the Swiss Canton of Grisons) and the establishment, as from September 1, 1817, of an office at Balzers.

One Ferdinand Wolfinger was appointed the first collector and, again in pursuance of the principle of national sovereignty, he took the oath of service to his own royal master, pledging himself to observe in Liechtenstein the rules and regulations prescribed by the Austrian Postal Authorities.

Not for long, however, did Wolfinger enjoy his appointment, as the Fussach couriers recovered their rights in 1819, so that the State service became redundant. Under a decree of July 29, 1819, the Post Office at Balzers was closed from the termination of business on August 31 in the same year.

Already in the early years of the following decade the Splügen route between Germany and Italy began to lose favor and by 1825 it had fallen almost into desuetude. Quite naturally, the mail service ceased to attract the couriers and Spehler & Weiss, a firm of carriers which had in 1820 secured the postal contract between Chur and Feldkirch, renounced the concession before its expiry date.

And so, on January 1, 1827, Ferdinand Wolfinger was reinstated collector at Balzers where, by 1839, he had attained the dignity of postmaster.

The Records show that as early as 1822 an approach had been made to the Liechtenstein authorities with reference to the establishment of an Austrian Post Office at Vaduz. Negotiations must, it would seem, have been very difficult or very leisurely, for it was not until November 23, 1845, that the service was instituted.

The first postal clerk was one Georg Rheinberger, a member, doubtless, of the family which produced the country's famous composer and whose picturesque, ancestral home, the Red House at Vaduz, has appeared on more than one of Liechtenstein's stamps.

The institution of this service again produced, of course, a further solemn declaration of non-infringement of the Prince's sovereign rights.

The next great event was the introduction of postage stamps in Austria on June 1, 1850, the use of which was expressly extended to the Principality of Liechtenstein. And that, with the exception of a minor agreement on privileges in 1852, is the last event in the postal history for 14 years.

Württemberg's first stamps were issued in 1851.

1952 Zumstein Is Book's 35th Edition

Any number of collectors rely on the Zumstein Briefmarken Katalog for information when working with the stamps of Europe. Published by Zumstein & Cie., Bern, Switzerland for a number of years, the current one is the 35th edition, it is regarded in many quarters as the "bible" of philately in respect to that part of the world.

Switzerland of course is listed in a specialized manner, it being the mother country, but other European nations are given a much better than general treatment for their issues.

In the Zumstein, collectors will find listed many items of a legitimate nature having to do with the posts which are never found in other reference works. Included are some of the difficult issues of a local standing, and many of which other catalogs give confused and inaccurate listings.

The present "Zumstein" has 1144 pages bound between cloth covers, over 22,000 illustrations and 106,000 various pricings. Even though written in the German language it is easily used.

It is currently on sale in the United States by Jacob Habib, 1407 Sheridan Ave., New York 56, N. Y. at \$4.00 per copy postage and duty paid.

Covers For Elkhart Railroad Centennial

The Northern Indiana Philatelic Society prepared a "last minute" cacheted cover for the New York Central Centennial Celebration in Elkhart, Ind. With less than a week's warning, the society managed a cover for collectors.

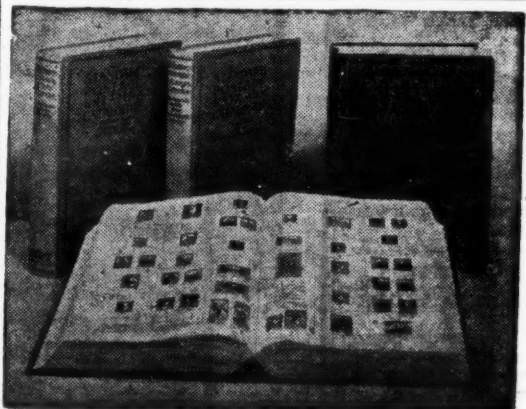
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BY CARL P. RUETH

Have heard it said lately that the Post Office Department will issue twelve stamps next year of a commemorative nature. That is the figure which seems to have been generally agreed upon by collectors, Congress and the POD after the debacle in 1948.

It remains to be seen how much restraint the administration is willing and capable of exercising in the presidential election year of 1952.

Selecting an arbitrary figure such as twelve can lead to abuses and difficulties, although I believe it is generally presumed that should the occasion demand, the Department can go above or below that quota.

You know, most collectors are still very much in favor of another series like the National Parks only this time with a display of wildlife in the designs. That would use up the 12 quota at one shot.

If the events are legitimate and important, I can see no reason why in some years we could not have as many as 25 stamps.

Might keep them busy at the Philatelic Agency something which they aren't now to any great extent. Perhaps the stinky stamp program this year and the resultant loss of revenue helped the POD brass to become more lenient in 1952.

1. Which was the first Airmail stamp to picture a biplane; mono-plane; two-motor plane; four-motor plane?

2. A rather good relief map of the United States was shown on three airmail stamps. In what years did they appear?

On June 17, 1929 a commemorative stamp was placed on first day sale at fifteen New York communities marking the 150th anniversary of the Sullivan Expedition in New York state during the Revolutionary War.

Pictured in the design was Major General John Sullivan who headed the military maneuvers which reached into Canada at one time. In view of the impending appearance of the BOB stamp (Battle of Brooklyn) in December, it is interesting to point out that Sullivan was one of the generals captured in that engagement.

Sullivan was born in Berwick, Maine in 1740. He early became interested in two things, soldiering and the cause for independence from England.

Both interests finally brought him the rank of brigadier general in the colonial forces in 1775, an appointment from the Continental Congress.

During the siege of Boston he commanded the left wing with General Greene, both under General Charles Lee. On June 4, 1776 he was placed in command of the forces of the Canadian expedition which subsequently met defeat at Three Rivers bringing on a retreat back to New York.

On August 10 he was raised to Major General and seventeen days later on August 27 he served with distinction at the Battle of Long Island (Brooklyn) where he was captured by the British.

Some time later Sullivan was returned to the American forces on a prisoner of war exchange after which he served in the battles of Trenton, Princeton, Brandywine and Germantown.

In 1778 he acted with the French D'Estaing against Newport and decisively defeated the English at Butt's Hill on August 29. In 1779 he marched into western New York and effectively subdued the Iroquois.

In late 1779 Sullivan resigned from active duty then devoted himself to a political career. He was a member of the Continental Congress in 1780-81, was Attorney General of New Hampshire, 1782-1786, was president of the state from 1786 to 1789 and was United States District Judge from 1789 to 1795.

General Sullivan died in 1795.

There are a lot of out of the ordinary cachets in a year's time, but one I received just the other day from Howard G. Brunsmann of Arlington, Va. appeals to me as the most unusual of the lot to date.

It was issued on October 18, postmarked on that date at Olney, Ill. "Commemorating The Dedication of the Marker at the

1950 Center of Population of the United States As Determined by the Bureau of the Census United States Department of Commerce". Included in the cachet is a map by counties of that part of Illinois in which the center is located.

In case you hadn't caught it in the daily papers, this 1950 center of population is located eight miles northwest of Olney, Ill. in Denver Township, Richmond Co., Ill.

Mr. Brunsmann attended the ceremonies and dedication in his official capacity as Chief of the Division of Population and Housing, Bureau of the Census. The cachet, an attractive printed one, was his work.

It might be interesting to some of you to know that in 1790 the United States population was 3,929,214, and in 1951 150,697,361.

In the 1790 to 1850 period the C of P (Center of Population) moved from its beginning point in 1790, a distance of 276 miles across Maryland; Virginia; West Virginia, then still a part of Virginia. These six decades were marked by the pioneer movement to the Northwest Territory and to the area acquired by the Louisiana Purchase.

From 1850 to 1890 the C of P had a further westward movement of 228 miles, from West Virginia to southeastern Indiana. The biggest single shift westward was during the 1850-1860 decade, 80 miles. The attraction of new settlers to the midwest, to lands newly acquired by annexation of Texas and cession of California by Mexico, and building up of population along the Ohio River and Great Lakes were factors in the center's movement.

For the next six censuses, 1890-1940 the C of P remained in Indiana, moving but slowly westward some 98 miles. The areas to the east of the C of P continued to build up and exerted a braking force which reduced the pace of the center's westward migration of the population continued.

The last decade, from 1940 to 1950 marked a westward movement of 42 miles and a southward movement of 7½ miles to bring the C of P into Illinois. The tremendous industrial development on the Pacific Coast during World War II drew millions of people to the west and strong population gains in the south and southwest were factors in the southward shift of the C of P's course.

It might also be of interest to note that the C of P has always been right on or very close to the 39th degree of parallel.

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A fact which he thought his fellow collectors might like to know was sent by Roland Imse, Jr. of St. Petersburg Fla. It is that there are over 20,000,000,000 (that's billions) postage stamps printed and used in the United States in a year!

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In Bellaire, Ohio postmaster Frank Vanelle who has made his office one of the most outstanding in the district inaugurated a new stunt recently. At the window where the clerks deal with customers there is a tape recorder which will play back any conversations between the clerks and customers. That's the news sent by Everett Klaas of Bellaire.

The purpose is two-fold—the clerks become courtesy conscious—and it provides a method

whereby it is possible to improve service and become more efficient.

The idea was okayed by the post office inspector and the clerks found no objection to their participation, but it should be remembered that this is not standard equipment at all offices.

After hours the clerks find it interesting to remain for a play back of their window duties. The boss without saying a word himself can let the recorder do all talking during which the men discover their own means for improvement.

1. Biplane—the first one issued the 24c of May 13, 1918; Mono-plane—Lindbergh commem of June 18, 1927; Two-Motor—6c of June 25, 1941; Four-Motor—25c Trans-Pacific of November 22, 1935.

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Originally slated for a 400 frame show, which would have been the largest ever attempted on the West Coast, PENPEX now has close to 500 entries.

PENPEX is the 11th annual exhibition of the Council of Northern California Philatelic Societies, being held under the auspices of the Peninsula Stamp Club. The exhibition will be staged at the Burlingame Recreation Center, Burlingame, Cal., November 10 and 11.

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These were Vaduz Castle, and views of the Valuena and Lawena Valleys.

The new set appeared in three stages, i. e.

3, 5, 20, 25, 30 and 50 Rp. on 17th April, 1944.

10, 15, 40, 60, 90 Rp and 1 Fr. on 11th September, 1944.

1.20 and 1.50 Fr. on 16th November, 1944.

3 Rp. Planken. The smallest independent community of the Principality is here depicted. The village lies at an altitude of 2400 ft. and has about 100 inhabitants. It is attached to the parish of Schaan, and the inhabitants are descended from Wallisians, immigrating in the 13th century.

5 Rp. Bendern. The church is the most prominent part of the design, but the village (really only a hamlet) is attached to the community of Gamprin. Situated on the hilly southwestern spur of the Eschernerberg, the two communities have a combined population of 350. The hill on which the church now stands used to be a Celtic fortification, used also for religious ceremonies.

10 Rp. Triesen. With about 1200 inhabitants, Triesen is rapidly attracting village industries. Legend tells that the site was originally occupied by a town called Trisona, which was destroyed by an avalanche.

15 Rp. Ruggell. An independent parish of some 600 souls, Ruggell is very close to the Austro-Swiss-Liechtenstein border. Politically and ecclesiastically independent since 1874.

20 Rp. Vaduz. The capital, residence of the Prince, and seat of the government, Vaduz is the main community of Liechtenstein. There are no towns in the Principality, and its choice as capital was determined by the fact that the castle, in spite of numerous changes of ownership, remained the seat of the liege lord.

It is today inhabited by His Serene Highness Prince Franz Josef II, with his family. The castle was given its present appearance by the late Prince Johann II (the Good), between the years 1905-12.

Directly at the foot of the castle hill is the official quarter, together with the gothic parish church built by Friedrich von Schmidt of Vienna, who also had a part in the construction of St. Stephen's Cathedral.

There is also the birthplace of the composer Rheinberger, and the government building (in neo-Renaissance style).

Likewise in Vaduz are the secondary school, the primary school, the post office with postal museum, and the town hall. The 'Red House' clearly distinguishable on the stamp, is an old building and once belonged to a Swiss monastery. Vaduz has a population of about 2500.

25 Rp. Triesenberg. Situated above Triesen, this widely scattered community is situated at an altitude of about 3000 ft. The stamp shows the view from the north.

Triesenberg was founded by the Wallisians, belonging to the parish of Triesen until 1767, when it has been independent, with 1200 inhabitants.

30 Rp. Schaan. The second largest community, Schaan is the center of communications, possessing, as it does, the only railway passenger station. It is situated to the north of Vaduz, was formerly closely linked to it, but is now independent. It has about 2000 inhabitants.

40 Rp. Balzers. Situated in the south of the Principality, the most striking feature of Balzers is the over 200 ft. high rock, crowned by the castle of Gutenberg, which is situated in the middle of the village, which has about 200 inhabitants.

50 Rp. Mauren. Very close to the Austrian frontier, Mauren (population 1200) has incorporated in it Schaanwald, which is

built along the railway line Buschs-Feldkirch. Schaanwald has a diminutive railway station, now used for goods traffic only.

60 Rp. Schellenberg. The most compact community of the Principality, Schellenberg was founded in the later middle ages by a Bavarian knight of the same name. It has 500 inhabitants, and a nunnery.

90 Rp. Eschen. The northern part of the Principality is called "Unterland", and consists of the former demesne of Schellenberg. The main village is Eschen, which, with Nendeln, is an independent parish of 1200. Nendeln on the road from Augsburg via Chur to Milan, is situated at the foot of the "Dreischwestern" group of mountains.

1 Fr. Vaduz Castle. Known also as Hohenliechtenstein, the castle is here seen from the north. It is built on Roman foundations, and possesses world-famous collections of arms and armor, furniture, domestic utensils, and the Liechtenstein Gallery of paintings, books, incunabula, and valuable manuscripts.

1.20 Fr. Valuena Valley. 1.50 Fr. Lawena Valley. Two of the

best known Liechtenstein valleys, they are famous for the rich variety of flora and fauna to be found in them. The Lawena River has some remarkable rapids.

The stamps were all designed by Professor Johannes Troyer, who was responsible for a number of stamps between 1938 and 1950. He travelled the country and sketched the villages on the spot, so that the stamps represent original drawings and are not taken from photographs. Professor Troyer has now emigrated to the United States.

Death Calls Stamp Editor In Cincinnati

Edward S. Horwitz, 61, former stamp editor of the Cincinnati Enquirer died in Jewish Hospital that city on October 16. His death ended many months of illness which he had spent at the hospital.

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6	U. S. Columbian Exhibit, official post cards cpl. set 10 in original wrapper. VF	??
7	U. S. #10 recut T. only. Lower sheet margin copy. Nicely used with round blk. grid. Close at sides.	10.00+
8	U. S. #12, 276A (2) very scarce faults but nice useful	27.50
9	U. S. #229 scarce 90c. OG bit faulty but nice useful stamp.	14.00
10	U. S. #229 90c orange. A fine lightly cane. stamp.	8.75
11	U. S. #291 50c Omaha. def. but nice appear.	10.00
12	U. S. #294-9 (6) Pan-Am. cpl. partly OG VG-F	20.70
13	U. S. #296-8 4c.8c Pan-Am. OG brill. & fine	8.50
14	U. S. #299 Unimog. block 4 fresh & fine	5.00
15	U. S. #341 very scarce 50c val. fine	15.00
16	U. S. #353 3c offset imperf. beant. strip 4 VF	7.00+
17	U. S. Commem. 46 stamps bet. #651/703 in nice box inc. pr. #656 VF	7.50+
18	U. S. #664 scarce 6c Kansas, used Bk. 4 fine	12.50
19	U. S. #704-15 (48) 21c-cents. in box 4 F-VF	12.00
20	U. S. #718 1c fine fresh block 4 bet. #719/802 part. Pl. # nice group F-VF	16.30
21	U. S. #755 40c block inc. T. L. and R. arrows plus center line (16) fresh VF	8.00
22	U. S. #859-93 (175) Pan-Am. in box & singles cpl. on spec. pages Inc. pr. # box, nice lot F-VF	+60.00
23	U. S. #12 1c fine fresh block 4 bet. #13/14 books	11.00
24	U. S. #C18 50c Zepc with plate # fresh & VF	+9.00
25	U. S. #C20 35c copies Inc. block 4 with F.D. cane. VF	-8.75
26	U. S. #K17 scarce "Shanghai" Pls. cut R else fresh and sound	7.00
27	U. S. #27 1c Agriculture Lt. cane. beant. VF	7.50
28	U. S. #O83 Rare 1c War cost paper brill. OG fine	8.00
29	U. S. #Q10 Rare 10c War P. Pl. Lt. cane. fine	4.50
30	U. S. #Q12 Rare 10c P. Pl. repaired. Nice appear. useful	25.00
31	U. S. #R2c rare 1c play card. has few extra perfs fine	12.50
32	U. S. #R17c scarce 3c pl. card cut to B. for this one F.D.	12.00
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65	U. S. Air crash cover "Damage due to airmail interruption at Fort Worth, Tex. Mar. 16, 1933" very scarce item	??
66	U. S. Early F.F. covers, six diff. all signed by famous "Early Bird" flyers. Scarce & interest. group	??
67	U. S. Early F.F. covers, six diff. all signed by famous women flyers. Truly scarce group	??
68	U. S. six covers, all signed by early C.A. books	??
69	U. S. six National Air Race covers (1931) all signed by famous entrants. Inc. Doolittle, Haislip, Klingsmith, etc. Really scarce	??
70	U. S. cover carried by Wiley Post on 4 strato. flights plus signed cover carried by Frank Fuller record flight Vancouver-Oakland	??
71	U. S. Clipper cover F.F. S.F.-Hong Kong. Franked with plate # box 6 #221-2 Hong Kong. Item.	??
72	CANAL ZONE #C13-18 (6) cpl. on F.D. F.F. beant. Hand written cover 17 (3) cpl. showpiece VF (16.00)	??
73	PHILIPPINES #328-38 (11) cpl. on F.D. Manila-Hong Kong. Five stamps SE yet a desirable & rare cover with +36.65	??
74	PHILIPPINES #C9-12 (4) cpl. on first day cover VF	??
75	AUSTRALIA #120,152-4, C4 (6) on two flown covers Australia-Greece-Germany. Nice pair	??
76	CANADA F.F. covers all diff. (1933) franked #198, C3 cacheted VF	??
77	Hong Kong-Hawaii F.F. cover franked 10 stamps Inc., #147-50 very fine item	??
78	India-England crash cover "damaged by sea water in air-plane accident" rarest of three known markings used to cover crash flying boat "Cygus" at Brindisi Dec. 4, 1937	??
79	London-Australia air race cover carried & signed by Roscoe Turner. Cmdr. Inc. picture Turner & plane	??
80	AUSTRIA #C1-11 (12) two issues cpl. VF	10.15
81	AUSTRIA #C32-46 (15) cpl. used VF	10.91
82	AUSTRIA #C32-46 (15) cpl. issue VF	11.86
83	AUSTRIA Airm 18 stamps Inc. better vals. useful lot mainly VF	13.65
84	BELGIUM #251-3, B209-13, C1-4, 5-7 (14) Beant. used lot VF	5.85
85	BELGIUM #C1-4 (4) cpl. fresh & VF	3.05
86	BELGIUM #C5-8 (5) Fr. Fresh & VF	15.00
87	BELGIUM #C5-8 (5) Fr. dark violet VF	12.00
88	BRAZIL #C48 (var.) in imperf pair rare item superb W (30.00)	??

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90	BRAZIL #C48a imperf. superb sheet margin copy VF	10.00
91	BRAZIL #C50 (var.) in beant. imperf pair very rare Superb	40.00
92	CANAL ZONE #C1-2 Used, 5, 7-9, 11-12 (8) VF	4.65
93	CHINA #C1-5 (5) cpl. issue cpl. thiest def. else VF	17.00
94	CHINA #C6-10 (5) cpl. issue fresh & VF	5.55
95	CHINA-Sinking #C1 very rare cent. to B else fine	50.00
96	CHINA-Sinking #C2 very rare. beauty VF	50.00
97	CHINA-Sinking #C4 extremely rare cent. to T cpl. perfs bit shortened yet fine	175.00
98	CUBA #C4-11 (8) cpl. 5c-1p Fresh F-VF	6.10
99	CUBA #C16-17 (2) cpl. VF	6.00
100	CURACAO #C4-16 (13) cpl. beant. fresh set VF	9.35
101	CURACAO #C4-16 (13) cpl. issue VF	5.29
102	CURACAO #C17 very scarce surch. VF	7.50
103	CURACAO #C18-32 (15) cpl. issue VF	11.37
104	CURACAO #C33-39 (7) cpl. issue VF	8.75
105	CZECHOSLOVAKIA #C4-6 (3) very scarce las. cpl. VF	38.00
106	CZECHOSLOVAKIA #C7-9 (3) cpl. issue VF	5.00
107	CZECHOSLOVAKIA #C10-17 (16) set * set * very fine	6.40
108	DANZIG #C36-38 (5) cpl. fresh & VF	9.00
109	DANZIG #C31-5 (5) scarce issue cpl. VF	15.00
110	DENMARK #C1-10 (10) air cpl. brill. & VF	15.65
111	DUTCH INDIES #C1-5 (5) cpl. issue F-VF	5.60
112	DUTCH INDIES #C1-5, 8, 12, CBI-2 (9) beant. lot fresh F-VF	9.85
113	DUTCH INDIES #C6-10 (5) cpl. issue F-VF	8.25
114	DUTCH INDIES #C6-12, 14-17 (11) (C6-8) 4 cpl. las. VF	6.45
115	DUTCH INDIES #C11-12, 17-18, CBI-2 (6) beant. fresh group VF	6.75
116	DUTCH INDIES #C13 scarce air VF	5.00
117	DUTCH INDIES #C14-16 (3) scarce issue cpl. fresh VF	22.50
118	ECUADOR #C9, 10, 11, 12, 24 (6) nice lot airm. fresh VF	6.61
119	EGYPT #C103-5, 111-13 (6) cpl. issue VF	6.20
120	EGYPT #172-6 (5) rare iss. cpl. gum trifle disturbed one stamp else F-VF	17.50
121	ESTONIA #C4-6 (3) cpl. issue airm. VF	13.50
122	FRANCE #C15 scarce 50Fr. finest def. else VF	12.00
123	FRANCE #C16-17 (2) "Trans-Atl." cpl. VF	7.90
124	FRENCH COLS. Chad-Rhine airm. cpl. 90 vals. fresh & VF	41.10
125	GERMANY #C46-56 (11) fresh & VF	6.11
126	GERMANY #C20-3, 27-34, 35-7 (15) beant. lot VF	9.85
127	GREECE #C5-7 (3) Zepc. scarce used VF	8.50
128	GREECE #C8-14, 15-19 (12) nice used group VF	12.45
129	GREECE #C23-30 (8) beant. fresh set VF	16.00
130	HUNGARY #C1-2 (2) fresh VF	3.50
131	HUNGARY #C12-23 (12) cpl. brilliant VF	7.90
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134	ICELAND #C1-2, 9-11, plus used set C15-20 (11) beant. lot VF	8.39
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137	INDIA #C1-6 (6) airm. cpl. F-VF	5.45
138	ITALY - Airmails 72 stamps. Several better issues cpl.	16.32
139	JAPAN #C8 scarce min. sheet bit thin else VF	7.50
140	JUGOSLAVIA #C1-14, 262-5 (18) (C1-5) nice group F-VF	9.00
141	LEBANON #C17-28 (12) 3 cpl. issues fresh VF	9.00
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148	MEXICO #C101b scarce invtd. over fresh & fine	5.00
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150	MEXICO #C101 (var.) rare red opt. fresh & VF	??
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152	NETHERLANDS #C8-8 (3) scarce set cpl. F-VF	10.25
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154	NEWFOUNDLAND #C13-17 (5) scarce issue cpl. fresh VF	34.75
155	NORWAY #104-10 (7) scarce iss. cpl. VF	5.55
156	NORWAY #104-10 (7) (104-9) VF	5.30
157	PARAGUAY #C18, 50, 85, 91, 95-6 (8) nice group better airm. (used) VF	13.00
158	PARAGUAY #C34 fresh VF	6.00
159	PARAGUAY #C35 scarce air fresh & fine	15.00
160	PERU #C1 very scarce air VF	8.50
161	PERU #C14 stamps betw. #C16/38 beant. lot VF	5.46
162	PERU #C39 scarce 10c. VF	8.00
163	PERU #C40-5 (5) cpl. (C40) scarce VF	6.85
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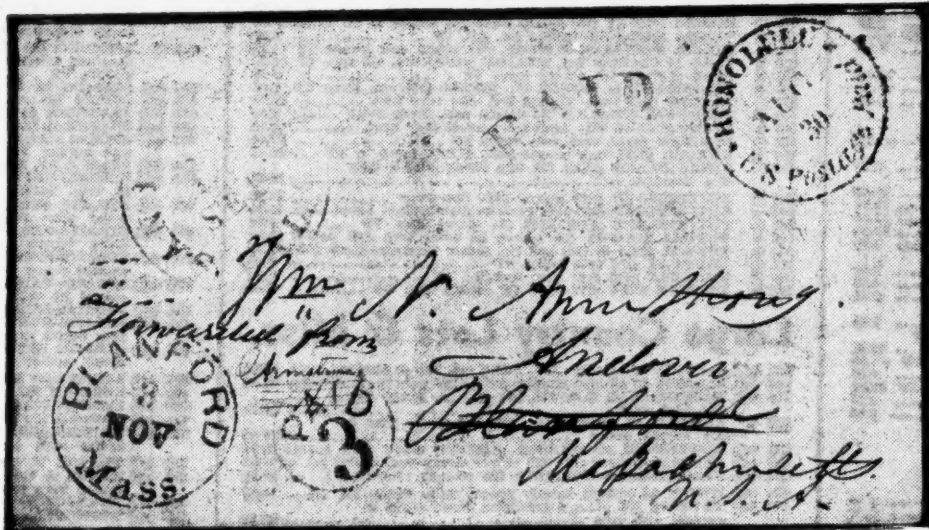
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By George W. Linn

Our activities with Hawaiian Missionary Stamps has brought to light a few interesting items that are not well known. We have a letter with a story of a find of a 2c Missionary back in 1878, which has not heretofore been known to many. The cover pictured above is a real gem and tells a story all its own. Unlike all early Hawaiian covers, there are no year dates shown but it appears that this cover must have been mailed perhaps in August 1851 before the first stamps were issued as it shows among other things the "HONOLULU * U. S. Postage Paid" cancel of this period and the date is "Aug. 30". At the left of this is a "PAID/8/SHIP" cancel in black, indicating 2c for the ship and 6c for the U. S. Postage which were the rates to be in effect after the decree issued earlier in 1851. We find a "SAN FRANCISCO/19/SEP./CAL." circular cancel in black in the left corner.

The cover is addressed to "Wm. N. Armstrong, Blanford, Massachusetts, U.S.A." It appears that Mr. Wm. N. Armstrong was not at Blanford and that some other member of the Armstrong family must have paid for forwarding the letter to Wm. Armstrong who was at Andover as the letter bears the written inscription "Forwarded from/Armstrong" and with some fine cross hatching lines marked below the name Armstrong. The name "Blanford" is crossed out with two pen lines and in the lower left corner we find a circular red cancel "BLANFORD/3/NOV/Mass". At the right of this a small circle typical of the period with "PAID/3" also in red.

Thus we note that the letter mailed in Honolulu on August 30, arrived in San Francisco on September 19, a matter of 20 days across the Pacific. It arrived in Blanford on November 3, a matter of 44 days for the trip across the country. Making 64 days or over two months in transit.

The Honolulu cancel on this cover is a very deep cherry red color and not an orange as some claim all cancels of this period to be.

BRITISH EMPIRE CHATTER

by HENRY M. FRIEDMAN
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AUSTRALIA. It has been announced that because of recent increases in postal rates, new values of stamps are being prepared. These are 1½d, 3½d, 4½d, 6½d, 7½d and 2/6.

Some of the supereceded values have been in use for a short time. The stamp that appears to be best of these is the 8½ pence which has been in use for less than a year.

CANADA. Canada has announced the release on October 26 of a four cent stamp to commemorate the visit of Princess Elizabeth and the Duke of Edinburgh. The stamps are large, horizontal in shape, in purple color and will show a portrait of each of the royal visitors.

TRISTAN DA CUNHA. The stamps of the British Empire have always been popular in the United States, but the recent announcement that this small island was to have a long set of stamps of its own, may be the beginning of the death of the goose that laid the golden eggs.

The entire current set of St. Helena is being overprinted and this will probably be followed by a new regular issue???

The Colonial office should realize by this time, that completely unnecessary issues are bound to eventually result in the repudiation by collectors of all British Empire stamps. Collectors here can refuse to buy these unnecessary pieces of paper at prices up to 10 shillings.

By buying such unnecessary items, collectors may be creating a Frankenstein which may eventually kill our hobby.

In order to appreciate how unnecessary these stamps are, here are some official facts regarding Tristan Da Cunha.

A small island about 2100 miles from Cape Town, South Africa, it is about 24 miles in circumference. It is an extinct volcano rising to 7640 feet above sea level. It is rocky, windswept and infertile. The small settlement on a comparatively level shelf occupies less than 5% of the total area.

The population at the outbreak of the last war was about 200, although it has grown, so that in 1948 the population had increased to 264 of which 24 were non-islanders. For many years the only food available was fish and home grown potatoes and a poor potato harvest meant privation.

This island was occupied by British Military forces in 1816. When the garrison was withdrawn in 1817, William Glass, a corporal of artillery, elected to remain with his wife and a few companions.

In 1938 this island was made a dependency of St. Helena, but the administration was directly supervised by the Colonial office.

In 1942, the Royal Navy and the South African Air Force established a meteorological and wireless station and a small naval detachment was stationed on the island. This resulted in benefits to the inhabitants who for the first time were able to get medical attention and other food and some luxuries.

The introduction (with some misgivings) of money, employment for wages introduced the islanders to some standards different from their own. To encourage thrift a post office savings bank was established.

The naval detachment was withdrawn in 1946 and the stations were turned over to the

Union of South Africa who still maintain same. Due to the richness of the fishing grounds, a company was recently formed who received a fishing concession and a cannery factory has been built. This company obligated itself to maintain a doctor, nurse and a qualified school teacher and to run a non-profit making shop where the islanders could buy what they needed.

This opens a new era for this Island, but it is still not necessary to have a long series of stamps.

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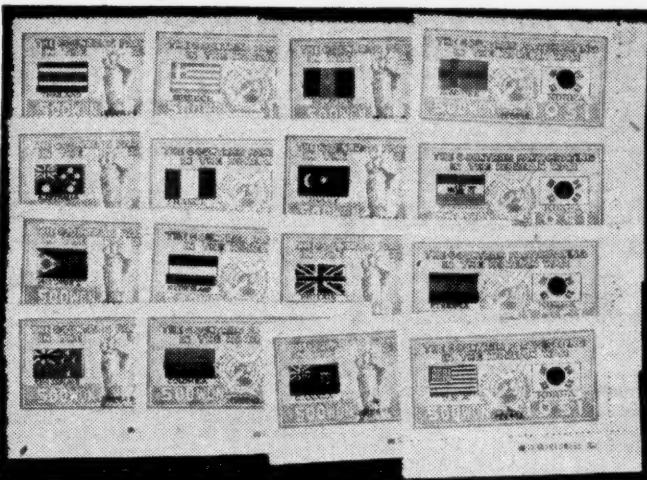
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ARGENTINA—General Stamp Company reports the 1P. airmail, in red, has appeared with new watermarks.

AUSTRALIA—On October 31 a new 7 1/2d., blue stamp with profile likeness of King George VI will be released, replacing the 5d. Merino sheep stamp now not needed because of postal rate changes.

BRAZIL—Reported is a new 20c., brown, with the likeness of Almirante Maurity.

CHILE—The 90c., brown, airmail has been surcharged "Un Peso (1 Peso)".

COSTA RICA—This country will issue an airmail set November 15, or thereabouts, to mark the 5th centenary of the birth of Queen Isabella, the Catholic. The values and colors are to be as follows: 15c red; 20c yellow, 25c blue, 55c green and 2 Pesos, purple.

GERMANY—Whitfield King & Company reports the impending release of four charity stamps of the 4 plus 2, 10 plus 3, 20 plus 5 and 30 plus 10pf. denominations, showing, respectively, St. Vincent de Paul, Friedrich von Bodelschwing, Elsa Brandstrom and Heinrich Pestalozzi.

New values of the posthorn type, issued September 20, were the 6pf. orange, 8pf. gray, 15pf. blue-violet and 25pf. red-brown.

HUNGARY—In addition to the commemorative stamps marking the anniversary of the first Hungarian adhesive, the Tribune Stamp Company reports souvenir sheets of the 60f. olive-green; 1 plus 1ft. brick red and 2 plus 2ft. blue with appropriate inscription, perforate and imperforate.

PANAMA—For the third centenary of the birth of San Juan Bautista de la Salle, two stamps have been overprinted. The stamps are the 2c. type A97, in green and the 5c., type A98, in red.

RUSSIA—The composers Alia-biev and Kalinnikov have been depicted on two new stamps, each of the 40k. denomination.

SOMALILAND—This former Italian colony, now under Italian administration, has released a set of two postage and two airmail stamps commemorating the Nairobi Conference, according to Vittorio lo Bianco. The total face value is given as 325 lire.

SPAIN—Three tuberculosis stamps have been received featuring children. Values are 5c red-violet; 10c green and 25c brown. Each has the red tuber-

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UNITED NATIONS—Wednesday, October 24, marked United Nations day, and with it appropriately came the first group of UN stamps—specifically the 1, 1 1/2, 3, 5 and 25 cents and \$1.00 denominations. These stamps will be sold only from the United Nations headquarters on East 42nd street, in New York City. The remaining postage and airmail values will appear later.

Another UN issue appeared October 24 in the Philippine Islands, according to an announcement received this week. The stamps will depict the United Nations' seal and a Filipina with sampaguita garlands around her neck holding a Philippine flag.

Denominations are: 5 centavos red (10,000,000), 6 centavos green (2,000,000) and 18c. blue (1,000,000). The issuance date has been left open subject to the arrival of the stamps from the United States.

Duck Stamp Sales Decline In 1951

Final reports received by the Fish and Wildlife Service from the Post Office Department on the sales of Federal "duck stamps" during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1951, show a total of 1,903,644 stamps sold to sportsmen, conservationists, and philatelists, Albert M. Day, Director of the Service announced.

From July 1, 1950 to June 30, 1951, the sale of Migratory Waterfowl Hunting Stamps represented a decline of 51,090 stamps from the 1949-50 season figure of 1,954,734.

The largest sale in any one State this fiscal year was 156,661 in California, Minnesota was second with 145,708 stamps, while Texas attained third place with total stamp sales of 131,674.

Other states in the first ten line-up were Wisconsin, 103,981; Illinois, 94,062; Michigan, 88,425; Washington, 82,378; Louisiana, 71,834; Nebraska, 65,809; and Kansas, 63,410.

Sold for \$2 at post offices, the proceeds from stamp sales are used for purchasing land and water feeding resting areas for waterfowl restoration purposes, administration and enforcement. Every individual over 16 years of age, who hunts migratory waterfowl, is required to have on his person a stamp of current issue with his signature written across the face.

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THE DEFENSE ERRORS

by O. JOE OLSON

CHAPTER IV

The National Defense Issue was a propaganda issue, aimed at preparing the mind of the American public for the possibility, if not the eventuality, of war. While last week I took a look back to the early war years and the year preceding the war for the purposes of examining the stamp market, this week I wish to cite a few of the international happenings that brought the stamp issue into being, and also a few of the basic facts about the issue itself.

The month of June 1940, actually brought World War II to America's doorstep. The British were forced off the European continent in the spectacular retreat of Dunkirk. The Nazi motorized divisions raced through the Lowlands, around the Maginot Line. Italy came in on the side of Germany and stabbed France, marching in across the Alps. Paris was evacuated and in late June, France, once the great-

est military power on earth, surrendered to the Nazis.

A month earlier, President Roosevelt in a personal appearance before a joint session of Congress called upon increased appropriations and as a result the National Defense Tax Bill was adopted, designed to pay the cost of an accelerated U. S. defense program. To help prepare the

Americans, psychologically, for the emergency period on which the nation was embarking, government officials, with approval of President Roosevelt, drafted plans for a set of three new postage stamps in the denominations most widely used.

These were a 1c stamp for post cards, a 2c stamp for local letters since the local 2c rate was then in effect, and a 3c stamp for all other first class mail. It was planned to have the first day of sale on October 12, 1940, but at the last minute it became necessary to push ahead the first day of sale to October 16.

This also was national registration day under the Selective Services Act, and 16,317,000 men between the ages of 21 and 36 reported voluntarily that day at draft centers to supply the necessary vital statistics.

The three stamps were printed in the so-called "small" size and were openly intended to replace ordinary postage stamps of these denominations. They were printed in the regulation colors by rotary press and issued in sheets of 100.

The central design for the 1c green stamp was a reproduction of the Statue of Liberty. The words: "FOR DEFENSE" appear on each of the three stamps. Above the statue on the 1c stamp are the words: "INDUSTRY-AGRICULTURE."

The remainder of the design is the same for each of the three stamps except for the denomination numeral. In a horizontal panel with dark background at the upper edge of the stamp is the inscription, "United States of America" in Roman lettering. In like lettering in a similar panel at the base of the stamp is the wording: "Postage-Cent."

The 2c stamp in carmine has for its central subject a 90-millimeter anti-aircraft gun with the wording: "ARMY and NAVY."

The 3c stamp in bright violet has for its central design an uplifted torch symbolizing enlightenment. Above the figure in two lines are the words: "SECURITY, EDUCATION, CONSERVATION HEALTH."

The first plate that went to press was the 1c denomination No. 22661 on October 4, 1940 and the last plate that went to press was the 3c denomination No. 22-879 May 22, 1942.

Between those two dates the Bureau printed Defense series stamps from 98 other plates and worked literally night and day issuing between 19 and 20-billion stamps. For the 1c and 2c values, the Bureau used a total of 28 plates for each value; for the 3c value, 44 plates were issued and used.

While this series of articles is concerned primarily with the imperforate errors, it should be noted that other varieties also appeared such as: 1) double paper and Scotch Tape varieties; 2) stamps without gum and smeared printing, also dry printings; and, 3) various perforation varieties.

All of these got out of the usually careful Bureau because of the heavy load of war work, coupled with inexperienced help.

Freak perforations were caused by the misalignment of the printed sheets and some packages of sheets got out and into the hands of collectors showing full horizontal gutters intact.

The stamps are printed in 400-subject sheets and then are divided into post office panes of 100 stamps by blind cuts, both vertically and horizontally. This gave rise quite frequently, when any of the sheets were misaligned, to perforation varieties and also, in the cutting, to gutters appearing in the panes of 100 stamps.

In an article about the "Defense series, George C. Hahn and Sol Glass called it an important milestone in the history of the nation, since in the four years the stamps were on sale, America "awakened from a deep slumber of isolationism."

Said the writers: "Although originally intended for National

Defense propaganda only, our nation nevertheless during the life of the series became a nation at war. But the National Defense Issue served its purpose and served it well." The authors' article was printed in the Stamp Specialist series and they gave credit and thanks to various sources including the U. S. Bureau of Engraving and Printing, the U. S. Post Office Department, Linn's Weekly and other stamp periodicals.

NEXT WEEK: When the Merry-go-round Broke Down.

Italy Prints Three For Centenary

Italy's long-awaited Sardinian Centenary commemoratives are reported by P. Ostrow, Elizabeth, N. J.

The set consists of three bicolors of identical design. Denominations are 10-lire brown and gray, 25-lire, rose and blue green and 60-lire, ultramarine and rose. Each bears a reproduction of one of Sardinia's first three stamps at the left and the arms of the House of Savoy (family from which came Sardinian Kings and the Kings of Italy) on the right.

Centered at the bottom is the three-line inscription "CENTENARIO DEL PRIMO FRANCOBOLLO SARDO/POSTE ITALIANE" (Centenary of the first Sardinian Postage stamp—Italian Posts). The value is centered at the top of the stamp.

A special circular cancellation was used—"CENTENARIO 10

FRANCOBOLLO SARDO—TORINO" and date in red. In addition, a special commemorative card was issued.

Mr. Ostrow reports that the celebration was of a truly imposing nature. Held under the sponsorship of the Unione Filatelica Subalpina, it lasted from September 29 through October 10.

The Palazzo Madama, which housed the Centenary Exhibit, is located in the heart of Turin. In this palace, now preserved as a national monument with all its paintings and furnishings, the Kings of Sardinia, in days gone by, held their royal receptions and balls of state.

In this royal setting were exhibited for the centenary all the great rarities of the old Italian States. Following as it did on the heels of the equally spectacular Tuscan Centenary show, the Sardinian Centenary Exhibit helped set the pattern for a similar manifestation in honor of the first stamps of the Roman States.

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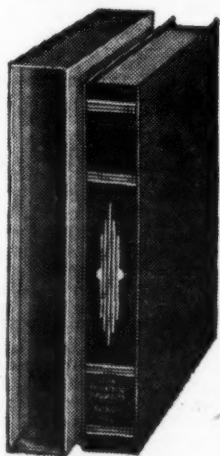
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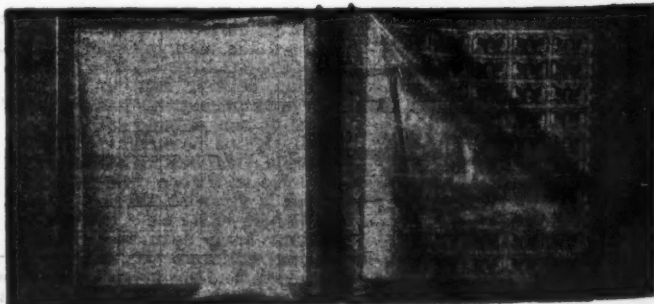
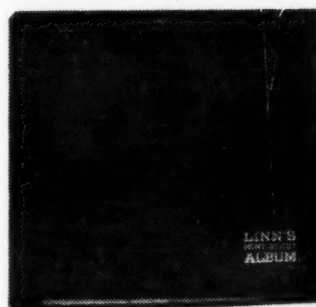
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Cuba has been rumored as having issued a commemorative on October 24, UN Day, honoring the sixth anniversary of the United Nations. According to Ricardo del Campo of Havana, Cuba it will take the form of an overprint on the Rowland Hill souvenir sheet.

On October 25 appeared the bi-colored commemorative issue in honor of Cuba's world chess champion, Jose Capablanca. For regular postage there are 1c, 2c and 5c; a 10c special delivery and 5c, 8c and 25c airmails.

Verify UN Sale At ASDA Show

The United Nations stamps going on first day sale November 16 at U. N. Headquarters in New York, will be available that same day at the 3rd A.S.D.A. National Postage Stamp Show, also in New York City.

The show, at the 71st Infantry Regiment Armory, Park Avenue and 34th Street, will open at 10 a. m., and the stamps will be available at that time, for the remaining two days of the show, November 17 and 18.

The stamps to be issued November 16 are 2c, 10c, 15c, 20c, and 50c. Also available at the 3rd A.S.D.A. National Postage Stamp Show will be the U. N. stamps released on October 24.

In addition to the U. N. stamps, there will be available at the National Postage Stamp Show, special first day covers. Collectors who wish to make their own first day covers at the show on November 16 can do so by purchasing envelopes and stamps, and dropping them in a specially prepared mail box. These covers will be delivered to the United Nations post office for the first-day cancellation.

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The United Nations postal administration has been swamped with orders, and to aid collectors, Peter G. Keller, Executive Officer of the A.S.D.A., sponsors of the show, made arrangements to have the stamps available at the three-day exhibition.

War Cover Club To Have Fall Meeting

Autumn meeting of the War Cover Club is scheduled for the offices of Scott Publications, 1 W. 47th St., New York City from 10 a. m. to 5 p. m. November 3. Persons interested in this field are welcome to attend.

More Isabella Sets, German Semipostals

Current and future philatelic activity from all over the world has been reported by Whitfield King & Co., Ipswich, England.

Chile is to overprint the current 90c stamp for which there is no postal use with the wording "UN PESO" to change its value. The \$20 stamp in the new airmail set is printed and ready for issue and the 40c denomination on order.

Also to be issued is a set to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the Birth of Queen Isabella the Catholic of Spain. Denominations are 60c blue and \$10 carmine lake, an airmail.

From the western zone of Germany will come four semipostals with denominations of 4 plus 2pf; 10 plus 3pf; 20 plus 5pf and 30 plus 10pf. They will bear portraits of St. Vincent de Paul; Frederick von Bodelschwingh, Elsa Brandstom and Heinrich Pestalozzi.

Four more values in the definitive Posthorn series were issued on September 20. They were 6pf orange, 8pf grey, 15pf blue-violet, 25pf red-brown.

Italian Somaliland has issued a set of four stamps to commemorate the first parliament of Somalia. They are 20c green and brown, 55c brown and violet, 1L

violet and dark green and 1.50L olive and red-brown.

The two lower values which are in the same design show the parliament in session with the various races in their seats. The two higher values show two flags and in the background an aeroplane flying over some buildings.

On November 15 two stamps are to be issued by Poland to commemorate the Festival of Polish music. A 45 groszy steel-grey and 90 groszy red, will be identical in design and will show portraits of the two composers Frederick Chopin and Stanislaw Moniuszko.

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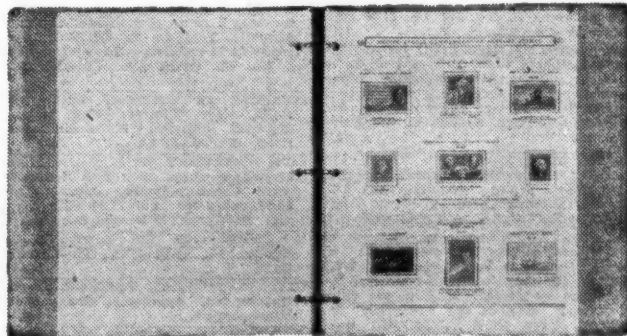
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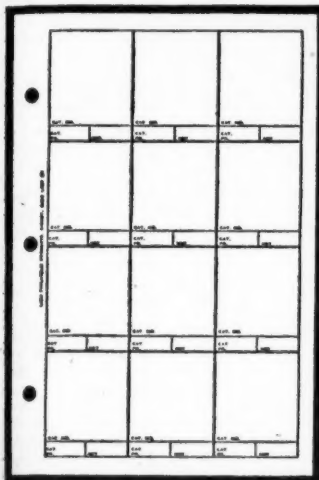
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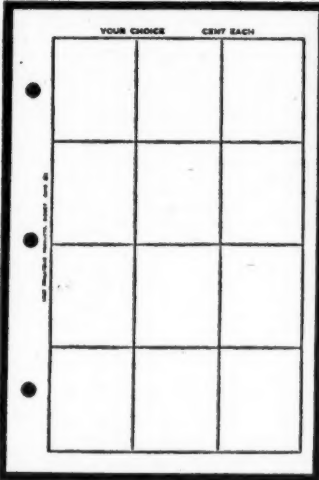
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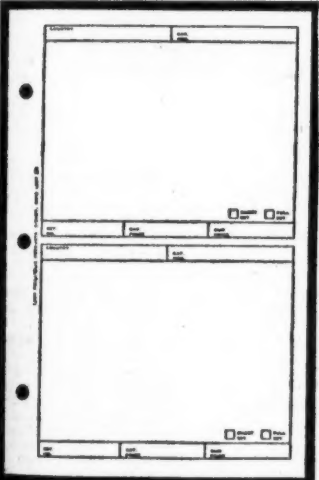
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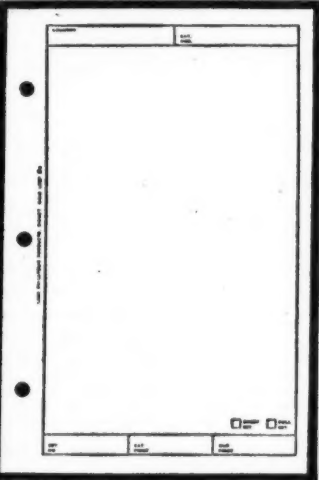
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TINY STATE

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ply stamps as required upon cer-
tain conditions, and undertaking to
pay a stipulated sum of money
regularly into the exchequer,
and a promise to look after the
philatelic side of the business as
well.

It is regrettable to have to state
that in the latter aspect at any
rate, they fulfilled their function
only too adequately. The story of
the so-called "Consortium" or
syndicate, and its stamp issues is
well known, and is reflected in
the catalogue values of the 1920
issues today.

Sufficient to say that the mal-
administration of affairs philate-
lic had nothing less than a disas-
trous effect on the popularity of
Liechtenstein with collectors of
the time, and ended—as indeed
it was bound to end—with a can-
cellation of the contract, a de-
mand for an indemnity from the
syndicate, and an approach to
the postal authorities of Switzer-
land.

CONFORM TO SWITZERLAND

The postal contract with that
State was signed in 1921 and

from that date, Liechtenstein has
never looked back. One of the
stipulations laid down in the con-
tract was that stamps issued
should not be of a different or
higher denomination than those
of Switzerland, that they should
conform to them as far as premi-
ums were concerned, and that
they should be freely available in
the country of origin (which was
more than could be said of the
syndicate stamps).

Administratively speaking, the
post office of Vaduz, and the en-
tire Principality are considered
a sub-district of the Swiss P. O.
at St. Gallen, and the only dif-
ference between the P. O. in
Switzerland and that in Liechten-
stein is that the latter sell dif-
ferent stamps, and have, of
course, a different philatelic agen-
cy in Vaduz.

The staff is recruited through
the normal Swiss Post Office
channels, although preference is
given to applicants from Liech-
tenstein.

The country is in a very for-
tunate position. The stamp issu-
ing policy of Switzerland is a ra-
tional one, catering for the col-
lector, but not indulging in issues
of high value, or deliberate scar-
city.

In this connection Liechtenstein
conforms closely to Swiss prac-
tice, with the difference only that
smaller usage makes for relative-
ly smaller distribution of stamps,
and consequent greater desirabil-
ity.

TECHNICALLY IMMACULATE

Technically also, the stamps
are immaculate, being produced
in three of the best printing
houses in Europe, i.e., the Swiss
Post Office' printing plant in
Berne, Messrs. Courvoisier S. A.,
La Chaux-de-Fonds (for photo-
gravure issues) and the State
Printing Office of Austria in Vi-
enna. Those among our readers
who collect the stamps produced
by these firms will know that
their names guarantee perfect
production.

To sum up, Liechtenstein, plac-
ed in the heart of Central Eu-
rope, allied to a state whose
stamp policy and currency are in
every way irrefragable, is de-
servedly enjoying a great philate-
lic popularity.

It is with pleasure that I ac-
cepted the editor's invitation to
provide material for a dedicated
issue of Linn's Weekly Stamp
News, to further the popularity
of the nation in the United
States.

It is with even greater pleas-
ure that I would welcome your
inquiries for membership in the

Liechtenstein Study Circle, estab-
lished in Great Britain in 1939.
It was thus one of the very first
study circles formed in the coun-
try.

Please write to me:—Jack Ben-
ken, at 30, Lingwood Gardens,
Isleworth, Middlesex, England—I
shall be pleased to forward you
a copy of our Objects & Rules to-
gether with any information you
may require.

If the contents of this issue in-
terest you, I am sure that you
will not regret the letter you
write.

LIECHTENSTEIN PRINCES

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1939-41 definitive and on the 2Fr.
1944 definitive.

The successor to the title, Prince
Johann Adam Pius, was born on
February 14, 1945, and the occa-
sion was also commemorated by
a charming series of three val-
ues issued that year.

This then concludes a brief re-
sume of Liechtenstein's ruling
house as shown on its stamps,
which will serve to make clear
the ancient historical and aristo-
cratic links and traditions of its
family.

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Stamp Clubs, Hotel Walt Whitman, Cam-
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ction, City Hall, Grand Junction, Colo.

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Building, Johnstown, Pa.

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flower Hotel, Akron, Ohio.

November 24-25—Collectors Club of To-
ledo, Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo,
Ohio.

Nov. 25—Northeast Philatelic Clubs, Frank-
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TINY STATE

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ply stamps as required upon cer-
tain conditions, and undertaking
to pay a stipulated sum of mon-
ey regularly into the exchequer,
and a promise to look after the
philatelic side of the business as
well.

It is regrettable to have to state
that in the latter aspect at any
rate, they fulfilled their function
only too adequately. The story of
the so-called "Consortium" or
syndicate, and its stamp issues is
well known, and is reflected in
the catalogue values of the 1920
issues today.

Sufficient to say that the mal-
administration of affairs philatel-
ic had nothing less than a disas-
trous effect on the popularity of
Liechtenstein with collectors of
the time, and ended—as indeed
it was bound to end—with a can-
cellation of the contract, a de-
mand for an indemnity from the
syndicate, and an approach to
the postal authorities of Switzer-
land.

CONFORM TO SWITZERLAND

The postal contract with that
State was signed in 1921 and

from that date, Liechtenstein has
never looked back. One of the
stipulations laid down in the con-
tract was that stamps issued
should not be of a different or
higher denomination than those
of Switzerland, that they should
conform to them as far as premi-
ums were concerned, and that
they should be freely available in
the country of origin (which was
more than could be said of the
syndicate stamps).

Administratively speaking, the
post office of Vaduz, and the en-
tire Principality are considered
a sub-district of the Swiss P. O.
at St. Gallen, and the only dif-
ference between the P. O. in
Switzerland and that in Liechten-
stein is that the latter sell dif-
ferent stamps, and have, of
course, a different philatelic ag-
ency in Vaduz.

The staff is recruited through
the normal Swiss Post Office
channels, although preference is
given to applicants from Liech-
tenstein.

The country is in a very for-
tunate position. The stamp issu-
ing policy of Switzerland is a ra-
tional one, catering for the col-
lector, but not indulging in issues
of high value, or deliberate scar-
city.

In this connection Liechtenstein
conforms closely to Swiss prac-
tice, with the difference only that
smaller usage makes for relative-
ly smaller distribution of stamps,
and consequent greater desirabil-
ity.

TECHNICALLY IMMACULATE

Technically also, the stamps
are immaculate, being produced
in three of the best printing
houses in Europe, i.e., the Swiss
Post Office printing plant in
Berne, Messrs. Courvoisier S. A.,
La Chaux-de-Fonds (for photo-
gravure issues) and the State
Printing Office of Austria in Vi-
enna. Those among our readers
who collect the stamps produced
by these firms will know that
their names guarantee perfect
production.

To sum up, Liechtenstein, plac-
ed in the heart of Central Eu-
rope, allied to a state whose
stamp policy and currency are in
every way irreproachable, is de-
servedly enjoying a great philat-
elic popularity.

It is with pleasure that I ac-
cepted the editor's invitation to
provide material for a dedicated
issue of Linn's Weekly Stamp
News, to further the popularity
of the nation in the United
States.

It is with even greater pleas-
ure that I would welcome your
inquiries for membership in the

Liechtenstein Study Circle, estab-
lished in Great Britain in 1939.
It was thus one of the very first
study circles formed in the coun-
try.

Please write to me:—Jack Be-
ken, at 30, Lingwood Gardens,
Isleworth, Middlesex, England—I
shall be pleased to forward you
a copy of our Objects & Rules to-
gether with any information you
may require.

If the contents of this issue in-
terest you, I am sure that you
will not regret the letter you
write.

LIECHTENSTEIN PRINCES

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1939-41 definitive and on the 2Fr.
1944 definitive.

The successor to the title, Prince
Johann Adam Pius, was born on
February 14, 1945, and the occa-
sion was also commemorated by
a charming series of three val-
ues issued that year.

This then concludes a brief re-
sume of Liechtenstein's ruling
house as shown on its stamps,
which will serve to make clear
the ancient historical and aristo-
cratic links and traditions of its
family.

Exhibition Dates

Oct. 28-29—Monmouth County Philatelic
Society, Inc., Convention Hall, Asbury
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Oct. 27, 28—Roosevelt Philatelic Society,
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St. & Ingleside Ave., Chicago, Ill.

October 27-28—Newton Falls and Warren,
Ohio Stamp Clubs, Community Bldg.,
Newton Falls, Ohio.

November 2-4—Chicago Philatelic Society,
Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill.

Nov. 2-4—SESCAL, Elks Club Ball Room,
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Los Angeles, Calif.

Nov. 3, 4—Association of South Jersey
Stamp Clubs, Hotel Walt Whitman, Cam-
den, N. J.

Nov. 3, 4—Dayton Philatelic Society, Miami
Hotel, Dayton, Ohio

Nov. 16-18—ASDA National Postage Stamp
Show, 71st Infantry Reg. Armory, Park
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Nov. 16-18—AIRPEX, Jack Knight Airmail
Society, Hotel Stevens, Chicago.

Nov. 17-18—Collectors Club of Grand Jun-
ction, City Hall, Grand Junction, Colo.

Nov. 17, 18—Johnstown Stamp Club, GAN
Building, Johnstown, Pa.

Nov. 24-25—Rubber City Stamp Club, May-
flower Hotel, Akron, Ohio.

November 24-25—Collectors Club of To-
ledo, Commodore Perry Hotel, Toledo,
Ohio.

Nov. 25—Northeast Philatelic Clubs, Frank-
ford Arsenal, Philadelphia, Pa.

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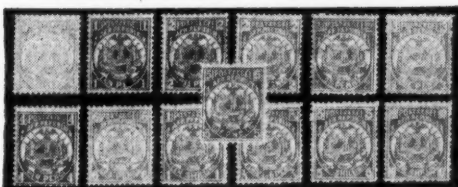


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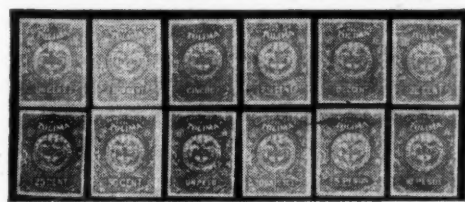


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